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HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE.

STANDING ORDERS. The words "by Section Commanders," appearing in S.O.120(5), page 53, are to be deleted.

DEFAULTERS. The order issued to men awarded D.D. to attend at Central Station on Saturday afternoon, December 23rd, are hereby cancelled. Warning Officers will see that

this is noted by defaulters. SPORTS NIGHT. The Police Reserve will held another Sports Night at the Theatre Royal on Saturday evening, January 6th. The Bend will attend.

(Sed.) F. C. JENEIN, D.S.P. (R.).

### PASSPORTS HOME.

Various complaints have reached us from travellers returning from England that they were not fully instructed as to what they had to do in respect of pass-ports before leaving the Far East. In particular, one correspondent writes as

"There is no mistake about the delay in Russia. If you know anyone also coming this way do tell them the two following things. First, one must produce three unmounted photos, similar to those on the passports. (We have had to have fresh taken here, so much trouble could be saved, through having them with one.) Secondly, we are told at the Embessy that if it is made clear on one's passports that one is simply passing through Russia on the way to England permission will be given to go straight on."

nother complaint is that an Englishman in going to Australia with his wife was told that there was no necessity to put her photograph on the passport. As regards this point, we think there must be some mistake on the part of our correspondent, as it is the veriest commonplace of travelling nowadays that everyone whose name is mentioned on a passport must also show a photo-graph, except, of course, in the case of small children. As regards the correspondent first quoted, the difficulty is that regulations are constantly being changed in the different capitals along the route and the authorities in Shanghai are by no means always informed of the change in time to enforce it on the passport of a departing passenger. The possibility of certifying on a passport that the holder is passing right through Russia has lately been brought to the attention of the proper authorities here, and this difficulty is not likely to re-

An American guest had waited thirty minutes for a slow waiter to bring his dinner. "Now," he said to the waiter, "can

you bring me some cheese and coffee? o" Yes, sir; in a minute, sir." "And," continued the diner, "while you are away you might send me a postal

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(1) That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$4,000,000 (Four million dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares of \$10 (Ten dollars) such. to \$3,000,000 (Three million dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares of \$7.50 (Soven dollars and fifty conts) each, and that such reduction be effected by returning (on such date as the Company's Board of Directors shall appoint) to the holders of the 400,000 (Four hundred thousand) shares that have been issued paid up capital to the extent of \$2,50. (Two dollars and fifty cents) per share and by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said shares amount of each of the said shares from \$10 (Ten dollars) to \$7.50 (Seven dollars and fifty cents).

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Resolution. Dated this 19th day of December, 1916. By Order of the Board, SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.

General Managers.

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MOTICE is hereby given that the demand for Electricity has almost reached the limit of the capacity of the present Generating Plant, and as a result no further applications for new connections can be accepted as from 1st January next, until completion of the New Power Station at North Point. It was fully expected that the North Point Station would have been completed and running before now, but owing to the War work in respect of the new plant has been considerably delayed. By Order of the Board,

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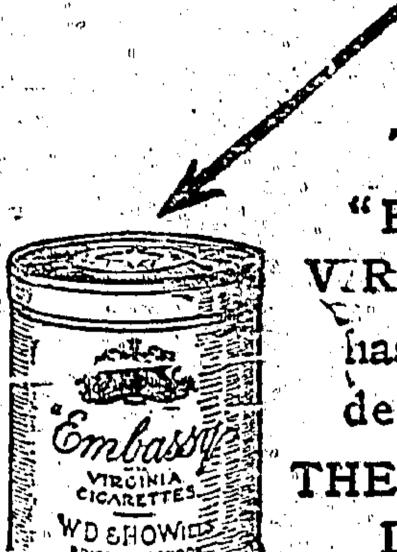
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THE GOVERNMENT'S PROPOSALS.

In the House of Commons on the 15th ult., Mr. W. A. S. Hewins (Liberal) moved that it was the Government's duty to adopt further methods of organisation to increase the national food faced by an increase of prices which would last for many years. The problem-1345 was primarily one of production, and they should "have adopted a national tary Service Act introduced order and agricultural policy.

The President of the Board of Trade (Mr. Runciman) said :- "The strain this SPECIAL DINNERS will be served country will have to bear next year, in the GRILL ROOM and DINING primarily in the matter of food supplies, country will have to bear next year, which was able to cope with the danger tragic as it might be, will be more severe in Austria and Germany." He declared fifths of the unarmed ships attacked had that it was unnecessary to stimulate the perished, production of wheat in Canada and Aus-BAND in attendance Plan of tables tralia. Canada's crop was abundant, and its transport easy.

had ceased the problem of transport, and that mattered should be served out t and Italy. The Government regarded the whole question of shipment of wheat the time had come when there should be with. It was expected that the half only for the army, but also in industry, year's production of shipping would approach half a million tons. The ture, similar to the organisation of muni-

Government was arranging for the pool- tions making. We should have as great ing of all engineering effort on the Tyne an organisation for producing munitions | MANILA . Messrs Macondray & and elsewhere, and was bringing back of life, as the organisation of labour for hundreds of skilled workers from the front. In a normal year we could build the pacifists intervened. practically the whole of the tonnage lost since the beginning of the war. Ger- (Mr Runciman), replying to references many knew that we chartered neutrols, to the shortage of shipping, said it was ships, hence the submarine warfare.

prevent the making of undue profits by harvest. Regarding complaints of the potato growers and milk sellers. It was necessary to dispense with some forms ROUBLES 3,000,000,000

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of food, especially elaborate confectionery. Powers would be taken to prescribe
the purposes for which articles were to be used, and to prosecute persons wasting or destroying food. If the voluntery, The motion of Mr. W. A. S. Hawing, effort at economy failed, drastic mea urging the adoption of proper methods sures would be necessary. It was pro- for the organisation of the food supply, posed to prohibit the milling of fine white flour, thus raising the yield by 34 per cent. The Government was also taking powers to regulate the markets, to prevent cornering in the sale and distribution of articles. In order to be in

> necessity, crose, food tickets would be would be passed at the earliest opportu- with a motto which was worthy of nity, embodying the Government's proposals. Some were immediately practicable under existing powers, notably those relating to milk contracts, potato stocks, would be appointed immediately a suitable man was found: He would have drastic powers, and the Board of Trade would regard him as the most essential man in the Empire. Demonstrating the necessity of treating big shipbuilding centres no one concern Mr. Runciman instanced the case of 18 ventels awaiting engines. He had arranged to concentrate energy upon most of the advanced vessels, and he hoped that by the year's end no veisels would lie in a itali-finished condition. Mr. Runciman explained that he regarded new construction as the most important part of the shipping problem. There was a temporary stud shoriege, but he hoped that as a result of the Munition 1233 Ministry's action there would be supple

supplies in the new year. The President of the Board of Trade concluded by stating that the Govern ment did not propose to tex maximum prices. He had been told that the country wanted to be governed, and he saked the House to give the Cabinet power to file Edward Carson said that the

The newsy popular per told that the

difficulties were due to the reduction of tonnage by German submarines rather than by the making of illegitimate profits. He hoped that the food controlling Minister would be a dictator with power to snub departments of they failed to do what he required. Mr G. J. Wardle, on behalf of the

Labour Party, welcomed the proposals. He expressed the opinion that the country's resources should have been organised at the outbreak of the war. An Express Train will leave Kowloon shortage in the event of the war being have to go yet further in this direction.

Colonel Winston Churchill said that He expected that 'Mr Runciman' would the shortage of labour was due to indiscriminate voluntary recruiting on a gigantic scale in which every form of social pressure was enforced. The Miliorganisation in place of chaos. He warned the House against exaggeration of the submaring menace. The Admiralty

had a great anti-submarine organisation if properly used. Armed ships enjoyed a great immunity compared with unarmed vessels. Roughly speaking, four-He asked why the Government could

not take over the shipping, as it had taken over the railways. The Government should also utilise native labour, Continuing, Mr. Runciman said:—Next and thus largely decrease the congestion year we will have to depend on Australian at the great ports. Unless the war came supplies. The fact that we had commandeered a large fleet at artificial rates and employment. Rations for everything also encouraged Australian production. everyone, while prices should be fixed in The food problem was shared by France order to secure for the poorest people to the Allies as a problem to be dealt something like universal service, not

The President of the Board of Trade really due to the Navy's requirements. The food shortage was largely due to The Government was taking powers to the failure of the North American Government's delay in grappling with the food problem, he said he believed

would not be done as efficiently as

During the hearing of a case in th Prize Court Sir Samuel Evans, in looking Toundry Coke Importers. General Store-through some intercepted correspon-dence, said there was a letter written 87, Have Loone Street, (End Street, west Mr. Runciman explained that a Bill a relative in New York, which began apparently by a German in Germany to of Contral Market) Telephone No. 515.

The epigram said: "When a school-master becomes a diplomatist be invariably makes a mess of things," relating to milk contracts, poteto stocks, "That," commented his Lordship, "is and flour milling. A Rood Controller obviously a reference to the American

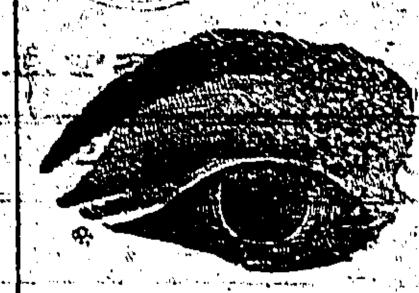
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Mr. Lloyd George's first speech in last night's China Maik:-

London, Dec. 201 near her. Even here, with the pro- complete and unqualified support tection of the broad seas between us. Labour. Also, they were anxious war has been forced by the Prussian military leaders upon France, Russia, Italy and ourselves, it would be cruel folly not to see to it that this swashbuckling through the streets Europe to the disturbance of harmless and peaceful citizens shall be dealt with now as an offence against the Law of Nations .--(Cheers.)

The mere word that led Belgium to her own destruction will not satisfy Europe any more. We all believed it, we all trusted it, but it gave way to the first pressure of temptation, and Europe has been plunged into the vortex of blood. We will, there fore, wait until we hear what terms and guarantees the German Government offer other than those, better than those, surer than those which she so lightly broke, and meantime we shall put our trust in an unbroker army rather than in a broken faith. (Loud cheers.)

Britain never appeared at her best except when she was confronted with a

real danger and understood it. "Let us for a moment look at th worst. The Rumanian blunder was unfortunate, but at the worst it prolongs the war; it does not alter the fund amental facts of the war. are I cannot help hoping that it may oven have salutar effects in calling the attention of th Allies to obvious defects in their organisation; not merely in the organisation of each, but in the organisation of the whole, o If it does that, and braces them to fresh effort, it may prove, bas as it is, a blossing. That is the wors it has been a real set-back. It is the one cloud well, it is the darkest cloud and it appeared on a clearing horizon We are doing our best to make it im possible that that disaster should lead to anything worse. That is why we have taken, in the last few days, this very strong action in Greece. We mean to take definite and decisive action and think it has succeeded. We have decided to recognise the agents of that great Greek statesman. Venezelos.

THE GLORIOUS LESSONS OF THE

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the best trained; and have beaten them. entrenchments ever devised by human ships already on the Register, but also iskill, they have driven them out by for the speedy construction of more valour which is incredible. That something which gives us hope, which fills you all with pride in the nation to ment felt they ought to assume a more which they belong. It is a fact, and it direct control over the whole industry. is a fact full of significance for us and for the foe: (Cheers.) The enemy has seen that army grow under his very eyes. They are becoming veterans, and, therefore, basing our confidence, upon these facts. I am as convinced as L ever was of ultimate victory if the nation proves as steady, as valorous, as ready to sacrifice and endure as that great

THE NEW GOVERNMENT. issues that dexcited irritation. controversy or disunion. It must not becomplete sommercial guide to Dondowand assumed that he accepted as complete the way in which the Covernment was formed. He was convinced that the controversies of the past would not help an regard to the future. Therefore, so far as he was concerned, he placed them The House had realised that there had been a separation between the functions of the Fremer and the Leader A copy of the current edition will be of the House. That was because these two forwarded, freight paid, a engreeeption offices were more then one muni could Indertake. There were three charge man in this of any other country. permanent of of the executive of their country to make that investible retreat northwards in the concentration of the executive of the executi

The following is a continuation of and business capacity wather than men of Parliamentary experience, where they were unable to obtain both, for Parliament as Prime Minister, from a headstip of a great department. Third, the point to which it was reported there, was a more trank; and foller. recognition of partnership of Labour in the Government. No Government of this country had ever contained such It is difficult for those living thou a large representation of Labour. "They sands of miles away to understand realised that it was impossible to conwhat it has meant to those who lived duct the war without getting the we know what a disturbing factor the obtain Labour's assistance and counsel We know what a disturbing factor the document assistance and comment of the Prussians were, with the constant for the purpose of the conduct of the Naval menace, but even we can war. Previous Administrations had hardly realise what it has meant to been peace structures, organised for a different purpose and in different conditions. Craft suitable for river or canal was not exactly the kind of vessel high seas. He was not here referring to the fast Cabinet, but to the system of Cabinets, where the heads of every department were represented inside the Cabinet. He was convinced that the new form of Government was the best for war, where quick decision was necessary above everything. declared that the Allies suffered disaster after disaster through tardincess decision and action. "You cannot run war with a Sanhedrim. That was the battered disarray, but unless the nation

THE CHINA MAIL.

meaning of a Cabinet of five, and one "its members doing senting duty outside It had been suggested there was danger of lack of co-ordination, but pointed out that it was the practice to have Heads of Departments. outside the Cabinet, and whenever any thing concerned a particular Department the head of that department could at tend an Executive Committee to discuss the problems requiring solution. thought this a very effective practice, and much better, especially at a time of war, than keeping men away from their Departments discussing things which did not directly concern them. emphasized that henceforth there wou be no distinction between the old War

There was not the slightest attempt to depart, in any particular, from the complete control of Parliament, whi must always be supreme. "Mr. Lloyd George stated that Government were investigating French system whereby Ministers had to appear before Parliamentary Committes, where questions could be asked them, and they could give an account which they would not care to give in public. It was possible they might

Committee and the War Cabinet

refer the matter to Parliament settlement. THE GOVERNMENT PROGRAMME. Coming to the work of the Government, Mr. Lloyd George referred to the to take no risk there. We have decided Ministry of Labour, and said he hoped this Department would not confine itself merely to settling dispute. He hoped it would become, in a real sense, a Ministry with the well-being of Labour in its charge. He also hoped the Department would take a leading part in assisting in the mobilisation Labour for the purposes of the war. "I should like to say one word about regard to shipping, he emphasized that the lessons of the fighting on the western it was never so vital to the life of the front, about the significance of the whole | nation as at present, and the Governof that great struggle, one of the greatest | ment felt the time had come to take ever waged in the history of the world more complete control of all the It is full of encouragement and hope ships of Britain, and place them in Just look at it. An absolutely new practically the same position as railarmy! The old had done its duty and ways, so that, during the wat, shipspent itself in the achievement of that | ping would be Nationalised in the real great task. This is a new army: But a sense of the term. The prodigious year ago it was ore in the earth of profits which were made out of freights Britsin, yes, and of Ireland. It became contributed largely to the high cost of commodities, and made it difficult for It has passed through a flery furnace the Government to induce organised doubted right over his own population, | Building up the red portion of the bleed and the enemy knows it is now fine Labour to give up privileges. Undue but had introduced a practice hitherto and extravagant profits in shipping were intolerable in war time a Sir ing civilian inhabitants from occupied Joseph Maclay was conferring with the territory to make good the shortage of army in the world, the best equipped, Admiralty and the Shipping Control labour in his own factory. Committee, and he (Mr. Liloyd George) beaten them, beaten them. (Loud hoped soon to be able to inform the cheers.) Battle after battle, day after House of the plans he recommended not day, week after week in the strongest only for a more effective utilisation of

is ships to replace wastage it were to and Regarding coal mines, the Govern-FOOD PROBLEM SERIOUS. The food problem was undoubtedly

serious, and would be grave unless not merely the Government but the nation was prepared to grapple with it courage. obsly without loss of time. - He pointed out that the available harvest of the world had failed, and the surplus available for export from Canada and the United States had diminished to a disastrous extent. The Argentine promised The Premier proceeded to refer to badly, Russia was not available, and the new Government, remarking that Australia meant an almost prohibitive Law announced, that Germany, had numes another agains also providing he was anxious in doing so, to avoid all stransport. Our own harvest was a poor one, and he did not believe that more than three eights of the titual sowing its suburbs, the Directory contains lists of the accounts which had been given, of certain extent, that you could make produced anything comparable to winter sowing. The submarine menace in this respect was not the most important td consider. Under these circumstances arranged under the Ports to while hey all, on one side. He proceeded to speak of the date Government decided to appoint and indicating the approximate callings! the unusual theracter and composition a Food Controller, and the latter was of the Covernment as an executive body. I desisted by the ablest experts in the Agricultule they had a man who was brettes Farm Agricultule they had a man who was brettes Farm Agricultule they had a man who was brettes Farm Agricultule have recent associates the Vice Chancellors the principles been repulsed.

Over-consumption by the affigent must not be allowed to create a shortage for the less well-to-do." He hoped he could appeal to the men and women of all ranks to play the game. (Cheers.) Without the help of the whole nation we could accomplish nothing. "The whole nation must assist us so distribute our resources that there shall be no man, woman and child who will suffer hunger because someone else is getting too much." (Cheers.) Regarding production, every available square yard must be made to produce food. All who had the opportunity must regard it as a duty to the State to assist in producing and contributing to the common stock. If this were done we should have food without any privation without any want, every body having plenty of the best and healthiest food.
"It means secrifices, but what secrifices 1 Talk to a mam who has returned from the Somme, or who has been through the haunting wretchedness of a winter campaign, and you will know something of what those gallant men are enduring for their country. (Hear, hear.) They are enduring much, and hazarding all while we are living in comfort, and security. You cannot have absolute equality of sacrifice in war, but you can have equal readiness to sacrifice. Let the ristionias à whole place its contierts, its luxuries; its indulgenoies; ità elegances on a National altar, consecrated by such sacrifices as our heroes have made. Let us proclaim during the war a national Lont. The nation will be the better and stronger for it, mentally, morally and physically! (Cheers.) Our armies might drive the enemy from the battered villages of France and across the devastated plains of Belgium, they might hurl them across the Rhine in

as whole shoulders part of the burden of victory it will not profit by the triumph, for it is not what a nation gains, it is what a nation gives that makes it great." (Loud cheers.) The Premier proceeded to say that was intolerable that any section should be permitted to make exceptional profits out of these sacrifices. Much had been done by the late Administration to arrest unfair private profiteering, but the Government had come to the conclusion that they could not ask the nation for more sacrifices without even more drastic steps yet being taken. After outlining what had already been done to meet this situation, Mr. Lloyd George stated that Mr. Bonar Law and others were now carefully examining the problem, and he hoped to be able to make an announce ment abortly of the course the Govern ment'intended to adopt. It was quite clear that the nation must be asked to make further sacrifices in order to win

the war, and the road must be cleared

by was action of this kind.

MOBILISING LABOUR RESERVES The Prime Minister next turned to the question of the mobilisation of Labour Reserves, without which, let there be no mistake, we should not be able to pull through. This was a ques tion not of years but of months, perhaps of weeks, and unless the labour of the country was used to the best advantage and every man called upon to render such service to the State as he can best give, victory is beyond our reach. problem was a difficult one. To complete what had already been done, the speaker maintained that the Government ought to have the power to say that every man who his position or rank, was employed on work of Nationa importance. At present it was only man who was fit for military service, and who had not established claim for exemption, upon whom and nation could call. The unfit man and exempted man were surely under the same moral obligation, but still there were no means of enforcing, it. It was with this importect organisation of our industrial man power that we were called upon to confront an enemy who not only exercised to the full his unknown in civilised warfare, of remoy-

> (Continued. on page 5.) THE SOMME FIGHTING

LONDON, Dec. 19. It is stated that an independent

HUCE ENEMY LOSSES.

estimate by the British General Staff of the German losses on the Somme substantially coincides with the French unofficial estimates of 690,000. CAPTAIN BLAIKIE.

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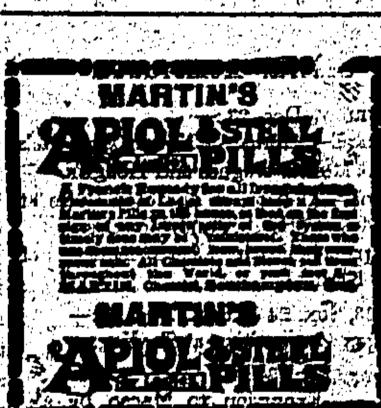
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CERTAIN cargo ex M. S. "GLEN-J ARTNEY" having arrived here per S.S. "SUISANG", Messrs. Goddard Douglas will attend at the Hongkong animates the nation to-day as strongly & Kowloon Whari & Godown Company's as it ever did, and finds it prepared Godowns, Kowloon, on FRIDAY, 22nd instant at 10 A.M. to survey all damaged to make any sacrifice, or, endure packages. Consignees of cargo arrived any hardship, which the Govern-

SHEWAN, TOMES & COMPANY. in order to truimph over the foe

(Continued on page 8:)

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Il a.m.-Meeting of the Licensing Board.

12.30° p.m.—Auction of Cigars and Cigarettes at Messrs. Hughes and

## General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, Dec. 23:--11 a.m.-Auction of Motor Car Models at Mesars. Hughes and Hough's.

SAT. 23, SUN. 24 & MON., Dec. 25 :-Bogey Competition at Fanling. SUNDAY, Dec. 24:-

p.m. - Extra Performance

"Kismet".

9 am-Excursion to Macso by as "Taishan" MORDAY, Dec. 25 :--

Public Holiday. Mon. 25 & Turs., Dec. 26:-Cricket.-H.K. Cricket Club r. The Rest on Club's ground."

TVEIDAY, Dec. 28:--Public Holiday. 10 a.m.-Winter "Bisley" at Stone cutters. 10 a.m.—Mixed Foursome Competition

st Fanling. WEDNESDAY, Dec. 27:-Il a.m.-Auction of Salved Cargo ex. now knows that nothing that Geras "Wisley" at the To hwe Wa Godowns and Kowloon Godowns.

many may threaten, or do, in the further prosecution of the war will THUMBLY, Dec. 18:weaken the inflexible resolve of the 4.30 p.m .- Hockey Match on U.S.R.C. Allies to continue to exert their everground; Volunteers v. 74th Punjabis. increasing strength in he war until

VISITING CARDS

PRINTED 12 Ohina Wail 5 Office. The Hon, Mr C. E. Anton, who

victory is achieved.

saying whether or not she

be so far off he it now seems. Ger-

many is now being forced into the

position of declaring how far she is

the answer with eager interest; but

the whole world, including Germany,

LOCAL AND GENERAL

NEWS OF THE DAY.

Negotiations were opened in Peking yesterday between Dr. Wu Ting Fang and Baron Hayashi regarding the late dispute at Chanchatum.

.There was an attempt at a shower rain early this morning but was hardly enough to be percept able. The last rain in the Colony foll on September,22nd.

The series of thestrical performances inaugurated by the Chinese Sub-committee in aid of the War Charities Fund resulted in the handsome sum \$19,600 being subscribed. Cordial thanks are accorded those who helped financially or otherwise by the Hon. Mr Lau Chu Pak, Chairman of the Subcommittee.

During the past week there has been a steady decrease in the number of cases brought before the Magistrates. The only case of note to-day was the remand of a man and woman on bail of \$20,000 each for being in possession of 523 tacks of prepared opium. They were arrested in Queens Road, West. are defending.

Secretary, War Charities Committee, informs us that Messrs. Shewan Tomes articles made by the Hongkong Working Parties to the Queen Mary's Needlework Guild, and one to the O.C. R.G.A. Records Dover per S.S. "Cyclops." Mesars. Butterfield & Swire, in accordance with their custom in this Connection, are generously carrying the cases free of freight.

## HONGKONG'S YOUNG MEN.

ANNOYMOUS WRITERS.

IGNORANT AND MICHEVIOUS CRITICISMS.

H.E. the Governor, this afternoon at a meeting of the Legislative Council in an emphatic speech demounced the annoymous letters in the public Press recently with reference to supposed slackers" in Hongkong. His Excellency, said to

Gentlemen,-Before I proceed with ment may deem necessary to demand the Order of the Day I wish to say a few words about a matter which moderate draught to navigate. The Majesty's ships in port. which is seeking to extend its military extreme annoyance. I refer to certain eight feet of water alightly north of the they will fire, are as follows:-"Glen "Line (McGregor Gow & Co.) Ltd. despotism over the whole of Europe, snonymous letters in the public press The answer which the Prime Minister | commenting upon the attitude of Britons in this Colony in the matter of has given to the German peace their duty to their country. For manceuvre is an answer which was example, a letter was recently published was navigable water, and was safe for anticipated and is now endorsed in which the writer accused members of the local armed forces of the Colony of He therefore held that the Ruth was throughout the British Dominions, with a full appreciation of the great Hongkong Volunteers or of the Special sacrifices of life and money which a Police Reserve, being unwilling to do of Article II, and she should

entails. We had been led by previous statement for which there is not a cables—from American sources— shadow of foundation. The policy to believe that Germany had put of this Government has been to commented that the Article referred to forward some concrete proposals as grant facilities to every man who the ordinary practice of seamen. This, can be spared from this Colony prior to the passing of the Regulations: a basis of discussion, but Mr. LLOYD to go to the front and to organise was governed by the general maritime that no concrete proposals have armed forces or in other capacities in law, which, as he had shown from the been made; and that the German work connected with the war. The authorities cited, governed the question number and efficiency of our local armed of liability in their Courts; and this Chancellor's invitation is merely an forces has made it possible to release a was now adopted by all maritime invitation "to euter a noose with large portion of the regular garrison for nations in the International Regulations. the rope ends in Germany's hands," service elsewhere. In carrying this It was an obvious seamon-like precaution Germany is now aware of the nature unpleasant duty to refuse the application found that she had not. He gave of the formal replies which will be tions of scores of men to leave the judgment for the plaintiffs with costs, given to her Note by the Allies, and, Colony to go to the front, and I have with the usual reference as to demages. if she is sincerely desirous of peace no hesitation in saying that all those The counter claim by the Standard Oil Noon.—Auction of a Motor Cycle at she will lose no opportunity of Colony who are medically fit would "Mr. Potter asked for a stay of fouris volunteer for the front to-morrow if teen days, and this was granted. prepared to give the Allies the they were allowed to go (Applause). I reparation they require for the past will cease. If any persons resident and the security they demand for in the Colony or visiting it, and the future. Mr. Asquirm's declar- I suspect the criticisms emanate from ation that the proposals were born of visitors who are ignorant of the facts, military and economic necessity is subject of Hongkong's attitude towards generally believed, even in neutral the war, I trust that they will come countries, to represent the true motive direct to me for to the Colonial of the offer, and if that is the really Secretary. We are always accessible and always ready to give every the case the end of the war may not enlightement—(Appl

prepared to go towards meeting the AN APPEAL TO THE PUBLIC.

conditions of peace which the Allies Mr. W. J. Tutcher, Superintendent require. The whole world will await of the Botanical and Forestry Depart: ment,asks us to publish the following: Owing to the exceedingly dry weather | goals. Daricott scored both goals in the and the very inflammable nature of regetation on the hillsides at the present sime I would ask for the kind co-operation much the stronger eleven. Notwithstandof the public in the prevention of grass

Matches, cigar and cigaretie ends, &c., should not be turown away in the visinity of vegatation unless they have

been previously extinguished. Mambers of premie parties anould see from a would when Chamberlain's Pale succeeds the Hon. Mr. David Landale on an alterwards properly extinguished cause these diseases. It also causes these diseases. It also causes wounds to beat without maturation and

### JUDGMENT IN CLAIM AGILMST STANDARD OIL CO.

A STAY GRANTED.

In the Admiralty Court yesterday, with the \$100,000 damage claim by the Standard Oil Co., alleged to have been caused in a collision between the a.s. Shin Onand the oil lighter Ruth. On the question of lights judgment had been given in favour of the Shui Hing Co.

In the hearing of the case the Shul Hing Steamship Co. were represented by the Hon. Mr. E. H. Sharp, K.C., and Mr. C. G. Alabaster (instructed by Mr. O.A. S. Russ, from Mr. Gardiner's office) and the Standard Oil Company. were represented by Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin (instructed by Mr. Wilkinson, of Messrs. Wilkinson &

The Chief Justice deciding on the question of "what is a fairway !" with the aid of the Nautical assessor, Com. Beckwith R.N. stated that the word "fairway." clear passage way by wherever there is an open navigable passage used by vessels proceeding up Mr. L. D'Almada and Mr Goldring and down a river or channel, and his lordship quoted numerous judgments in support of this. Adopting that define The Hon Mr. E. R. Hallifax, Hon, tion, he had to determine if the Ruth was situated in "a clear passage way by water"; was she in "an open navigable & Co. have forwarded five cases of passage which is used by vessels in the river in question," or was she "near" to such navigable passage within the

meaning of the Article. The question of what was a navigable passage was governed by this limitation-was the Ruth anchored in a part of the river "where it is safe for vessels of moderate draught to navigate i" When he came to the evidence on the point he found Morgan it, in some respects, conflicting, but he had had no real difficulty in coming to Pile ... GOVERNOR'S SCATHING REPLY TO a conclusion upon it. After reviewing the evidence. The Chief Justice remarked that the premonitory cautions given by the seamen of the Ruth did Day :not prove that the Ruth was in the fairway, but he thought they went to show E. W. Hamilton, J. P. Robinson, W. H. the dangerous position of the Ruth in the minds of the witnesses, and that, in their opinion, she was in or near the navigable passage used by vessels. The question he had to decide was whether, at the time of the collision, the plaintiff's vessel—the Shus On—was on or near a caused me and others in the Colony wreck of the Ruth was lying in some one fathom line, and he was advised by I. R.G.A. the Naval Assessor that the water included between the one fathom line vessels of moderate size to navigate. in the fairway, within the meaning

continuation of the war inevitably their duty to their King and country. have carried the prescribed lights. As to the argument on Article 29 of the Regulations, the Chief Justice

## CLOSING QUOTATIONS

Douglases ...... 119 buyers Wharves ..... 851 sales Cements..... 11.75 buyers Shai Cottons ......Tis. 1151 sales

## FOOTBALL.

The staff and Departments beat the 87 Co. R.G.A. yesterday by two clear second half. A. Co. K.S.L.L. walked over the Navy by four goals to wal, proving themselves ing the score a large number of shots

L lock jaw or blood poison resulting allegiance at the opening of the Council The neglect of any of these processions in one third the time required by the today of meaning the time required by the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to destroy the work of meaning the time required by the sufficient to the suffici

## SPORTING.

YESTERDAY'S CRICKET.

The University and Navy played yesterday on the Craigengower ground, the Chief Justice, Sir William, Reca case, having an inning with remarkable case, having an inning and 148 runs to the good. Brayshay did the hat trick question of fairway raised in connection in the Navy's first innings. The details Are appended ---

NAVY-lar Innings. Shui Hing Steamship Co, against the F.J. B. Gibson, c Ponsonby Fano, G. Pile o Wright, b Brayshay ... G. B. Wild, b Dixon ... Col. R. H. Morgan, c and b Brayabay Pta Hopper, at Ponsonby Fane, P. O. Newman, c and b Brayshay ... Pte. Cook, o G. Hens, h Dixon ... . Godfrey, not out... O. White, st. Ponsonby Fane, H. G. Lester, c.G. Hons, b Brayshay W. Wright b Dixon

> H. G. Lester, c Dixon, b Brayshay A. B. Godfrey, b Brayshay Pte. Cook, c Chow, b Brayshay P. D. Newman, b Marley Pte Hopper, o Souza, b Dixon Lt. Col. Morgan, b Brayshay A. G. Pile c Hall, b Marley Com. Gibson, c and b Marley G. B. Wild, not out

. D. Wright, c White, b Gibson Ponsonby Fane, run cut... G. E. Marley, b Gibson ... A. Redmond, retired .... Brayshay, retired .... A. de Sousa, b Godfrey... H. Rumjahn, c Wild, b Godfrey ... 3 P. Dixon, c and b Pile W. Gittens, b Godfrey... Chow Yat Cheong, not out... W. Hall, c White, b Morgan Extras

The following will represent the Res v. H.E.C.C. on Xmas Day and Boxing Major Robertson, K. Brayshay, J. Braga, R. Ponsonby Fano, R. C. Witchell Stapleton, R. M. Austin, R. E. O. Bird

XMAS CRICKET.

### H.K.P.R. "WINTER BISLEY."

The Shameen Defence Corps will be unable to send down a Team for this second was the real Confucial magic. By Competition. Their place has been studying and controlling the mind, one course where it was safe for a vessel of taken by a Team from one of His

Captain Taylor

2nd Lt. Wilkinson C.S.M. Heath Master Gunner Martin K.S.L L (Team not yet submitted.) H. K. Pozicz (European). Inspector Grant Sergeant Grimmitt

Sergeant Pitt Sergeant Boulger HONGKONG POLICE RESERVE Assistant Supt. Franks Chief Inspector Mason Chief Inspector Sirder Khan Trooper Relph

5. R.E. Coporal Grimes Q.M.S. Williams Q.M.S. Black Sergeant Coxon H.M.S.

Col. Sergt. Taylor Lce. Sergt. Eyres " Cpl. Moyse " ... Roberts EUROPELN WARDERS G. Gipson
A. Calvert

B. Shirvington W. Gact. 74TH PUNILIS Jamadar Mehr Singh 769 Havildar Nand Singh 1958 Naik Baz Khan

1042 Sepoy Kalu STAFF AND DEPARTMENTS S. S. M. Harrow, A.S.C. Armr. S. Sergt. Duffield, A.O.C. Staff Sergt. Denn, A.P.C. L/Cpl Shute, A.O.C.

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H.K. VOLUNTEER RESERVE (Team not yet submitted.) 13. H.K. S.B.R.G.A. 2nd Lieut, Harris R. G. A. Havidar Wilayat Khan Havilder Mangal Singh Havildar Bishen Singh NAVAL YARD POLICE

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### MAGICAL PRACTICE IN CHINA.

LECTURE BY DR. CHATLEY

Dr Herbert Chatley delivered a highly interesting and instructive lecture on the above subject last week before members of the Royal Asiatic Society at Shanghai.

In his opening remarks Dr Chatley said that the word "magic" got different definition in every dictionary It included things which were probably true, and it also included many things which were certainly false. For purpose, however, Dr Chatley said would use the word to mean "the art o science of endeavouring to produce abnormal perchic activity."

The lecturer then went on to say that 0 the most universal form of magical practice in China was the cult of the family soul. The Chinese have always behaved. as if the soul of each clan were a continuous organism having an annual w. pulse, incarnate in the living descen-6 dants. Persons of a mystical turn of d mind will say that this entity was created by the continuous thought or the successive generations. Confucing idea. What geologists called "carth or certainly believed that a worshipper sculpture" was due to the dynamic. should behave as if the ancestors were action of wind, and the penetrating character of rain. It had thus come there was a detailed statement of pro- about that far more importance was codure, adopted to increase the reality attached to slight peculiarities of form of that belief. The lecturer mention- in the local topography them to snything ed a colony of the sage's descendants also and interpretation of the principles hiving not very far from Shanghai. In of feng shul as applied to any particular February this year he had the pleasure of living for several days in the ancestral temple of the Kung family in the town of Chi Chiso, in the sub-prefecture of Kao Chun, in Southern Anhui, not far from the Kiengsu border. The town was chiefly populated by members of the family, who have a close facial resem-

The rites of ancestral worship were of usual types, and were as follows: 1. Preparation of a more or less complete character, including in the more elaborate forms, fasting and vestments. 2. Orations and genufications. 3. Incense, candles and firecrackers.

4. Facrifices of food and simulers of wordly possessions. The principal occasions of ancestral worship were like the Christian cyclic. festivals, based on the climatic pulse of the sun. Special ceremony at funerals and marriages also occurred, and it was thought that the family soul could helped or hindered by topographical influence modifying the lunar or solar energies. The investigation of this we

known subject was the art of feng and as with all so called arts it itself to charlatanry; superstition and abuse, and if, as the Chinese reall believed, the family soul mystical allied itself with the vital forces which control vegetation, there was then considerable logic in the practice of leng

It had been stated that Confucianism

was a religion and again that it was not

Obviously the fundamental question of what a religion was underlied dispute, and unless the wiseacres agreed as to this they could not agree as Confucianism. Confucius certainly die two things; he revived filial piety and he introduced or revived the cultivation of the heart or emotional mind. could govern oneself and ones personal influence would spread in ever widening circles. All this sgreed with the methods The Teams, in the order in which of selfculture prescribed by maricians in all ages and practised consciously or subconsciously by all who wished to gain power over their fellow-men. The fol lowers of Tao Te-ching taught men to absorb and be absorbed by the cosmic energy called Tac by the magical practice of Wu Wei. The practice of Wai Tam or material alchemy was really a matter of physical science. As to Wu Jen or sorcerers, there could be no doubt that they were little better than the astrologers and wizards of mediaval Europe. Dr Chatley then dealt briefly with the problem of Buddhistic psychology, theoretical and applied. The so-called "primitive," Pali or Hinayana Buddhism insisted on regarding the soul and body as a system in a continual state change. Then followed two ideas which might be true but were difficult to realise. (1) The dissolving congerie, which is the being in articulo mortis transferred that character karms or impulse which was required to activate a new life. (2) By a clear mental realisation of this fluid character in life, the transferability of vital flame became Mercury. reduced and eventually ceased. This was the attainment of Nirvana and was distinctly magical in its rationals. This soul culture to produce what seemed to be an abnormal end had a scientific system, one based on reputed expert knowledge.

Touching on suggestive psychology and Buddhist and Taoist priests the lecturer said that both the sincere Bud power arising from their own literary or experimental cognizance of mental and emotional states and from their intensely suggestive character which their from impudent Taoist priests who used to excito the people.

Breaking of the minor magical Roads should be removed as part of practices in Chitis, the lecturer first referred to certain peculiarities of the the scheme for the development of Chinese mind. At first sight, he said, Kowloon and the hinterland during the Chinese seemed highly superstitious, on second observation they appeared to the present year. The hon, members be horribly lereverent even to their own thought, the arguments put forward. most sacred things, and at a third especially so in reference to the philosophical and religious, within certain water supply, would receive the narrow limits. The Chinese were not a sad people and the carelessness with which they regarded their temples was sure evidence that their normal thoughts hon. Liember felt sure, would be were not of bogles and sprites. Most carried out. intuitive rether than intelligent. It was only in this way that one could ex-plain the extraordinary anxiety shown by villagers that the temple or grave vaccinations are done at the Alice which they were too inert to repair Memorial Hospital, Hollywood Road should not be disturbed by a railway Speaking on this phase of the Chinese and at the Nethersole Hospital, Bonham character, Dr Chatley said among the Road at 1 p.m.

or subconscious counter suggestions will frequently deal with the matter harshly and it would seem that a good deal of the inter-racial difficulty arose from this

Chatley then gave a lengthy treatise on Chinese astrology, the ideas of which, he said, went back to the Yih Ching supplement for their theory. Judicial astrology was based on a study of the internal affinities of the four pairs of cyclinio character referring to the hour, day, month and year of birth which having themselves a quasyastronomical origin, expressed to the Chinese astrologor a brief but sufficient record of the condition of the astral influences at that moment. Horary astrology was similar but using the time of inquiry, or of the crisis. Mundans astrology was expressed by the horoscopes of sages and kings, but in addition it was thought that important planetary conjunctions beralded the approach of that all important event, the birth of a

Coming to that all important head feng shui the lecturer said feng shui concerned itself principally with the determination of house and grave sites. The Chinese said that the earth consisted of hills and streams and that these were case was so arbitrary as to become ridiculous. Orientation, wind protection and drainage were the things which alone appeared to be at all reasonable in the final result.

Coming to the subjects of divination and spiritism, the lecturer said that in spite of the careful work of well known anthors, such as Crookes, Lambrose, Barrett, Lodge and others the evidence in favour of an excernate mentality was by no means complete and it was conlessed by even enthusiastic students that subconscious activity was more often responsible for so-called psychic phenomens than any other cause. There had been but little Chinese literature dealing seriously with the methods of inducing "spirit revelations" but there could be no doubt that many old women in China still practised it. Pere Amiot in his "Memoires sur les Chinois dealt einborately with what he called cong-fu as form of spiritistic Taoist exercise. It would appear as a special form of magical self-culture. The famous Boxer charm was similar with its invocation, "Appea" to Heaven, appeal to earth, join the

society of concordant vigour and be inspired by the Masters. Dr Chatley then dealt with the subject of magical prescriptions, which were of two classes: outward or mental inward or medical, in application. The medicaments were of a Macbethian type in most cases, although some were really therapeutic. While the "leg of newt" might not at all sound useful, the treatment of exophthalmic goitre by extract from thyroid glands was quite orthodox. In conclusion the lecturer said the practice of Chinese magic was somewhat more varied than in other countries bus was essentially the same as that which was studied throughout Asia. As to the reality of all or any magical theory, here

(I) Democracy and tradition both called on a certain vague divinatory power arising within the popular as one being. It was conceivable that instinctive superstitions and undying magicoreligious practices do body forth certain underlying principles of being which neither have been nor as far as could be seen, could be expressed in words. (2) Research in the psycho-physical laboratory and by the methods of

psychical research has established the existence of an undermine of extensive and as yet indeterminate qualities, some of which rendered many magical beliefs and theories partially credible. (3) Similar methods have shown that the ordinary mind, which was usually identified with the "soul," was of a fluid and complex character with several possible states of balance, so that it was not possible to dogmatise as to the exact limits of its powers. So far as such investigation has proceeded, it tended to confirm the attitude of Pali Buddhism but one must be cautious in arriving at a definite conclusion when so little was

The lecturer was afterwards accorded a hearty vote of thanks on the proposal of Dr. Stanley who presided.—Shanghai

## HILL OBSTRUCTION AT KOWLOOK.

PETITION FOR ITS REMOVAL.

The Hon. Mr. P. H. Holyosk presented a petition to the Governor dhist monks and the Tacist priests had in Council on behalf of residents and in some cases considerable hypnotic monerty council in Kantana property owners in Kowloon and residents in Hongkong on the improvement of Nathan Road and the lives must bear to those laymen who were | water supply to the older houses in convinced as to the trutle of their me-thods. The mad Boxer business seemed Kowloon. The hon member said to have received considerable support the petition had been signed by 427 their practical knowledge of psychology persons who urged that the hill obstructing Nathan and Coronation

> We have been maked to store thes overy day (except Bundays) at 10 am.

### WAR THE

### NATIONAL SERVICE.

THE GOVERNMENT PLANS.

Reuter's Service to the China Mail.

concluding portion of the speech means the men they want. which has been coming over the

London, Dec. 19, 11.80 p.m. our credit abroad. But we have no . The Government had been fortupower to transfer them from employ- nate in inducing the Lord Mayor of ment where they are wasting their Birmingham, Mr. Neville Chamberstrength and our own to employments lain, to accept the position of where they could increase it. We have not even the organisation necessary for utilising them as volunteers. These are powers we must take, and this is organisation which we must complete. (Cheers.)

## SCHEMES OF VERY GREAT

MAGNITUDE. The Premier pointed in this connection to the difficulty regarding agriculture, for want of skilled men, despite the fact that he believed there were hundreds of thousands of people who if they could be utilised to the quantities of food in this country. sible to remove the misunderstand- carrying them out.—(Hear, hear. In this connection schemes of very and were in course of being put into when he saw them. The matter was considered by the War Committee of the late Government who unsnimously decided that the time had come for the adoption of the principle of universal national service. The present Government and the War Cabinet unanimously adopted this conclusion. He believed the plans which had been made would and civil side of universal national service. The civil and military side of the Directory would be entirely separate. There would be a Military and a Civil Director responsible to the Director of National Service. The Military Director would be responsible for recruiting for the 'Army. It was not proposed to make any change in recruiting for military service, but as regards civilian service it was proposed that the Directory of National Service should proceed by the schedule of industries and of services according to Director of National Service for the labour which it required for those rationed in such matters as labour -raw material and power. Labour that was set free from non-essential and rationed industries would be available to set free potential soldiers who were at present exempted

from military service and to increase

the available supply of labour for

be invited to enrol at once soil be

registred as war workers on littles

The first instalment of Mr. Lloyd, as to rates of pay and separation George's great speech dealing with allowances. He had no doubt that Ing in those fruits. "We propose, therethe German, Peace proposal and when it was realised how essential fore, at an early date to summon an outlining the programme of the to the life of the nation it was that Imperial Conference, to place the whole new Government was published in the service of every man should be the "China Mail" last night; a put to the best use we should secure second portion received up to 4 an adequate supply of these voluno'clock this morning is published teers. The Government were taking "on page 3 of this insue, and the immediate steps to secure by this

The classification of industries and wires since 4 a.m. is as follows: - the invitation to ental as volunteers would begin as soon as may be. If Mr. Lloyd George said it was it was found impossible to get the necessary that we should make a numbers required, and he hoped it and said we had already achieved morass. That is why, since this war swift and effective answer to Ger-, would be possible, they should not many's latest mood. . As the months kesitate to come to Parliament and go by (proceeded the speaker) the ask Parliament to release them from cost of the war increases. Our pur-, the pledge given in other circumchases in neutral countries become stances and to obtain the necessary more difficult to finance; yet there power for rendering their plans fully are thousands of men occupied in effective. The nation was fighting industries which consume our wealth, for its life and was entitled to the at home and do nothing to strengthen best services of all its sons. (Cheers.)

Director-General under this scheme. He would immediately proceed to organise this great new system of enrolment for industrial purposes, and he (the Premier) hoped that before Parliament resumed its duties able to report that they had secured

## THE IRISH QUESTION.

purposes.—(Cheers.)

ing between Great Britain and He believed that could be done. great magnitude had been formulated Ireland which had for centuries been There must be more consultation, such a source of misery to the one more real consultation, between men operation. They would involve great and embarrassment and weakness to who "matter" in "the direction local organisation throughout the the other. He would have regarded affairs; there must be less of the country, and he thought Mr. Asquith that as a great victory for the Allied feeling that each country has only that I see nothing in the German Note. would be very satisfied with them Forces, as something that would have got its own front to look after. The to give me the least reason to believe that it was a misunderstanding, realised this policy, and he believed trated every effort made for the essential for the Allies, and for the achievement of better relations. He curtailment of the period before had tried once, but did not succeed. victory arrived. secure to every worker all he had a But the fault was not entirely on right to ask for. In order to do this one side, he had felt the whole time it was proposed to appoint immedi- that we were moving in an atmosately a Director of National Service phere of nervous suspicion and dis- note. Might be say, in all sincerity, to be in charge of both the military trust, pervasive and universal of that it was one of the deepest regrets by Englishmen and Englishmen by knew how he strove to evert it. Fo they ever were before. - (Cheers.) differences regarding rolicy, and their essential character during the Speaking for himself and his col- was with deep and genuine grief that war. Certain industries were regarded leagues he said they would strive to he felt it necessary to tender his speech will strengthen the position of as indispensable and the Departments produce that better feeling which was resignation. But there were moments M. Briand towards his critics in the

problem. (Cheers.) enormous and inculculable services of the Navy, not merely to the Empire but to the whole Allied cause, saying that the war could not have lasted the time it had but for its services. Mr. Lloyd escential services. This labour would George came to the question of

analogous to the existing munitions / Ministers, he said had repeatedly rolundeers. with a in far provinces acknowledged the splendid ametence keep in front of the nation so that we is the former and the provinces.

THE DOMINIONS?

championship of the cause of Humanity. Great ideals of national fairplay and justice appealed to the Dominions just as insistently as to Britain. The Dominions had recognised throughout that the fight was not a selfish one, that the quarrel was not merely European, but that there were great world issues involved with which their children are as concerned as ours. The new Government were as full of gratitude as the old for the super-valour which our kinsmen had shown in so many striken fields; but that was not why he introduced the subject. The reason was that the Government felt the time had come when the Dominions ought to be more formally consulted as to the progress and course of the war, and as to the steps that ought to be taken to secure victory, and the best methods of garnerposition before the Dominions to take council with them as to what further action they and we should take together in order to achieve an early and complete triumph for the ideals they and we have so superbly fought for." (Loud cheers.)

### RELATIONS WITH ALLIES.

with our relations with our Allies mankind to struggle helpless in the unity of sim but when he came to began, I have known but one polithe question of unity of action he tical aim. For that I have lought still thought there was a good deal left to be desired. He had only got rescue of mankind from the most to refer to the incident of Rumania overwhelming, catastrophe that has and each man could spell out for ever yet menaced its well-being. himself what he meant. The enemy (Loud and prolonged cheers.) had two supreme advantages. They could act on internal lines and there was one great dominant Power that practically directed the enemy forces. We had neither of these advantages; therefore, we must achieve the same end by other means. 'The advantages the Allies possessed were advantages which time improved. No one could say that we had made the best of that time. There had been tardiness of in another few weeks he would be decision and action. Someone had said about Necker that he was like a sufficiently large Industrial Army, a clock that was always too slow. in order to mobilise the whole labour There was a little of that in the great, peace. Amid cheers, he declared that the strength of the country for war Alliance clock-Belgium, Serbia, proposals were born of military and Montenegro, Rumania. Before they economic necessity. Peace must be could take full advantage of the honourable, not shamefaced, no patched Allies' enormous resources there Turning to the Irish Question, the must be some means of arriving at best advantage could produce great, Premier said he wished it were post quicker and readier decisions and given strength to the armies and to policy of a common front must be the Allies. He was convinced now a reality. (Cheers.) The enemy partly racial, partly religious. It we must secure if more and more was to the interest of both to have instead of having overwhelming guns it removed, but there seemed to have on one side and bare breasts, gallant bean some evil chance that frus breasts, on the other. That was

## A PERSONAL NOTE.

He would conclude with a persona everything and everybody. He was of his life that he should part from drenched with suspicion of Irishmen Mr. Asquith. Some of his friends Irishmen, and worse, and most latal years he had served under. Mr. of all, suspicion of Irishmen by Irish. Asquith and he was proud to say so, the people not merely accept but acclaim men. It was a quagmire of distrust He never had a kindlier, more indul- the refusal of the German peace and which clogged the footsteps of pro- gent Chief. Any faults of temper cheefully face the daugers and privagress. That was the real enemy of were entirely his (the speaker's) and tions sheard, knowing that the enemy Ireland. If that could be slain he he had no doubt he (the speaker) has done his worst as regards "frightbelieved it would accomplish an act must have been difficult at times. fulness." of reconciliation that would make They had differed, as men of such Much satisfaction is expressed re-Ireland greater and Britain greater, different temperaments must neces garding the absence of recriminations and would make the United King- sarily differ, but never had they had a between Mr. Lloyd George, and Mr. dom and the Empire greater than personal quarrel, despite their serious Asquith. The latter's patrictic attitude concerned would indent upon the essential to the solution of the lish when personal and party considers French Ministry. tions must sink, and if he had paid He saked men of all races and creeds scant heed to the call of party during services. Other services would be and faith to help the Government, not to the war it was because he realised solve a political question, but to help to from the moment Prussian cannon do something that would be a real harled death at a peaceable, inoffer. Mr. Lloyd George stating that Canada contribution to the winning of the war. give little country, that a challenge will spare no sacrifice to make trium-After paying a high tribute to the had been sent to Civilisation to decide phant the great cause for which the an issue higher than party; deeper allies are contending. than party, wider than all parties ... OFRMAN PRESS PESSIMISTIC. an issue open the settlement of which would depend the late of men in | Carle AMSTERDAM, Dec. 21. this world for geogrations when exist. The Jerman Press is pessioner of the parties would have Lallen like the prospect of pecca even by the Spring

dead leaves on the highway.

the Dominions has given of their own should not falter nor faint in our free will to the eld country in its resolves. (Cheors.) " There is a time in every prolonged and flerce war when in the passion and mee of the conflict men forget the high purpose with which they entered if THE PERORATION

This is a struggle for international right, international honour, international good faith—the channel along which peace, honour and goodwill must flow amongst men. The embankments laboriously built "up by generations of men against barbarism have been broken, and had not the might of Britain passed into the breach. Europe would have been inundated with the flood of savagery and unbridled lust of power. (Cheers.) The plain sense of fairplay amongst nations, the growth of an international conscience, the protection of the weak against the strong by the stronger, the consciousness that justice has a more powerful backing in the world than greed, the knowledge that any outrage upon fair dealing between nations, great or small, will meet with prompt and merited chastisement—these constitute the causeway along which Humanity was progressing slowly to higher things. The triumph of Prus-The Prime Minister then dealt sia would sweep it all away and leave with a single eye—that is for the

MR. ASQUITH'S VIEW. Mr. Asquith (the ex Premier) who succeeded Mr. Lloyd, George, congratulated him upon his accession to the Premiership and defined his own attitude towards the new Government as most friendly. He defended the late Administration against accusations ineffective prosecution of the war, and, referring to the peace proposals, said they were wrapped up with the familiar dislect of Prussian arrogance. He asked why the Power professing itself conscious of its military superiority and ultimate victory, was shouting universally for up, precarious compromise, but one achieving the purpose for which we entered the war. Such a peace we would gladly accept. Anything, short of that we were bound to repudiate by every obligation of honour, above all by the debt we owed to those, especially to the young, who had given their lives for what they and we believe as a worthy cause. "I say plainly and emphatically that they are in the mood to give the Allies reparation for the past and security for the future. If they are in such a mood, let them say so." (Loud

### EFFECT OF THE PREMIER'S SPEECH.

London, Dec. 20. Mr. Lloyd George's speech has put the seal on the revival of confidence

which was first marked on the occasion of the French victory at Verdun. The House of Commons listened throughout with rapt attention and growing exhiberation. The most strik. ing feature of the proceedings was the complete unanimity of all the leaders in and cut of the Government concerning the nation's attitude. The consensus of

It is expected that Mr. Lloyd George's

## CANADA'S PATRIOTISM.

LONDON, Dec. 20 Sir R. Borden has sent a message to

The Kochimbe Priving exclaims "Out Liene were the issues he wanted to with our submer live then to American AMERICAN OPINION.

NEW YORK, Dec. 20. The morning papers agree that Mr. Lloyd George has advoitly drawn the Central Powers into a position where they must show their hands, otherwise the world would be convinced that the peace proposals were an attempt at [CLEANLINESS IN USE. political trickery.

The New York Times states that the Allies have all Civilisation at their back when they demand the ending of ECONOMY Prussion militarism as the primary condition of peace.

The Sun says that there can be no further doubt that the Allies are not in a mood to grasp peace for peace's sake and the sooner sheir stediastness is understood at Berlin, then the brighter the prospect of peace.

### FRANCE AND THE PEACE MANOEUVRE.

impossible to take it SERIOUSLY.

PARIA, Dec. 21. In the Senate M. Briand," the Prime Minister, said nobody was deceived by the German peace manoeuvre. The concerted, reply would inform the i Central Powers that it was impossible to take their Pence request seriously

M. Briand spoke in reply to an interpellation by M. Berenger accusing the Government of lack of foresight, militarily and diplomatically. M. Briand dwelt upon the terrible task and great efforts of the Allies, emphasizing that Britain in her military contribution was far exceeding the original arrangement. He said that the German Chancellor's speech showed that Germany was at bay and the demand for peace was the last bluff she could attempt. It was not merely's sign of weakness but a stratagem. The Allies' reply would be worthy of their brave soldiers.

On the motion of M. Clemenceau, the Senate went into secret session.

## FRENCH SOCIALISTS AND PEACE.

THE VERDICT OF 10,000 TO 400 PARIS, Dec. 21.

The Congress of Socialists has resolved by 10,000 against 400 that no peace proposals from the enemy can be entertained until concrete terms are offered.

## ITALY AND PEACE.

ROME, Dec. 20. In the Chamber Baron Sonnino announced that the Government was not aware of the specific conditions of the enemy peace proposals, but the boastfulness and insincerity of their preamble did not inspire confidence. He begged the Chamber not to adopt any resolution suggesting that Italy's attitude was different from that of her

The speech was greeted with an ovation and the Chamber resolved that t should be placarded.

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NEW YORK, Dec. 21. The high hopes of peace are evidenced N.D.L. circulars offering freights "on the resumption of our regular service after peace."

## THE WESTERN FRONT.

OPERATIONS ON BRITISH FRONT.

LONDON, Dec. 20. General Sir Douglas Haig reports The enemy's artillery was particularly active last night in the neighbourhood of Eaucourt l'Abbaye.

To day we carried out a successful bombardment of the enemy's lines eastward of Fauquissart.

## "NOTHING IMPORTANT."

Panis, Dec. 20. A communique states that there is nothing important to report from the West front.

SHIP AND CARGO VALUED A A MILLION STEELING.

COPENHAGEN. Dec. 21. The German liner Prins Prederick Wilhilm, which has been sheltering at Vardoe, in the Arctic, since 1914. escaped and steamed in shore escorted by marzeppelin end two

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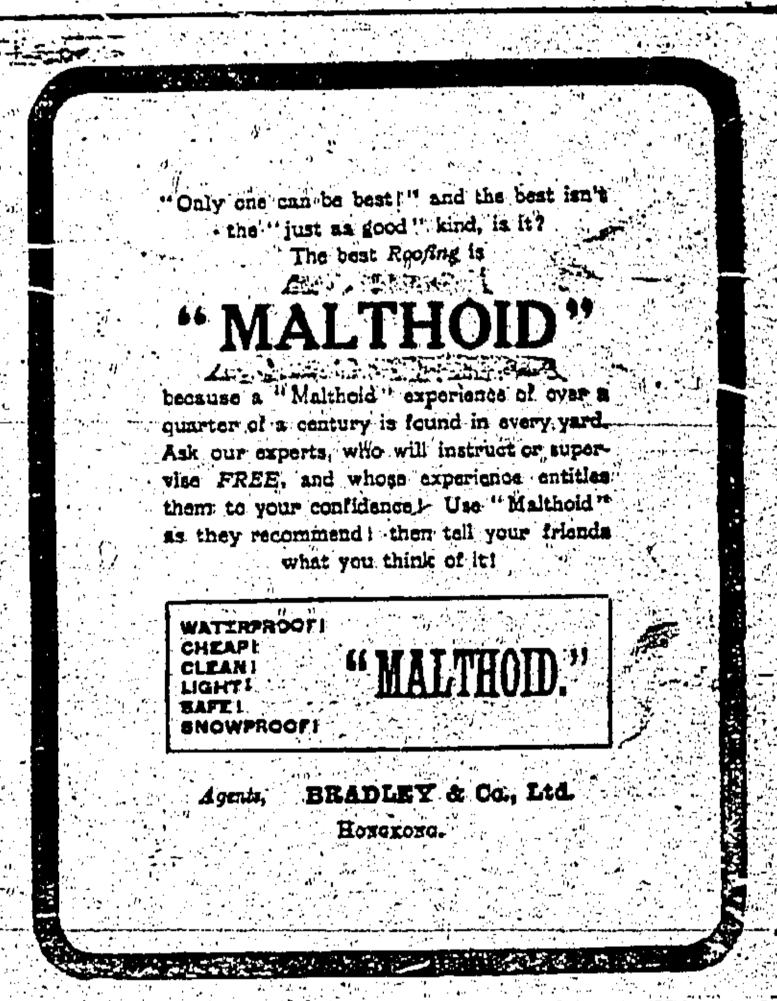


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> Elsewhere the situation is unchanged. FIGHTING ON RUBBIAN FRONTS.

London, Dec. 20. A Russian comumnique states.

west of Brody. Also in the region of Parlita, on the United States which accepted responleft bank of the Danube.

There is intense fighting on our right flank in Dobridia.

## ESCAPE OF A GERMAN BARQUE.

VALPARAISO, Dec. 21. escaped from Calbuco where she was government is running speothly; the fitted out under suspicious circlim; people are happy and contented, a prosstances.

## RAIN AND FOG IN MICEDONIA

PARIS, Des. 20. A communique states that min and ESCAPED GERMAN LINER ASHORE. 102 are interfering with the operation tions in Macedonia

### GERMAN LOSSES IN THE MEUSE REGION.

PARIS. Dec. 20. A semi-official statement days Germane lost an army corps in Mense fighting.

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HOLLAND'S ATTITUDE

LONDON, Dec. 21. Lord Robert Cecil stated in the House of Commons that the Nethers

## THE SAFE-CONDUCT FOR AN

AUSTRIAN AMBASSADOR. LONDON, Dec. 20. Reuter learns that the safe conduct given to Herr Tarnowski, the Austro-We repulsed enemy attacks south Hungarian Minister to Washington. was given at the request of the

## EGYPT TO-DAY

CAIRO, Dec 20\_ The second anniversary of the British Protecterate finds the situation in Eygru everywhere greatly improved compared The German-owned barque Tinto with last year. The machinery of perous trade: is flourishing and there is a prospect of another bumper surplus at the close of the financial year.

### RAILWAY PARES TO BE INCREASED.

London, Dec 20. MrG, Roberts, Parhamentar, Socretary of the Board of Trade, announced that on the 1st of January railway passenger fares would be increased fifty per cent, except workmen's tickets and stason tickets up to forty miles. There would also be a restriction in the passenger;

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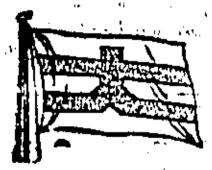
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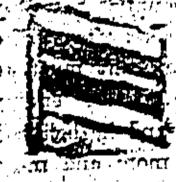
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Facts about the official German attitude on the present position of the war have been given to me by a distinguished neutral who is resident in Berlin, and who for a few days has been visiting Sweden, says a Stockholm correspond-

"I left Berlin about a week ago. There I is no mistake about the position there. It may be taken as quite definite that the authorities realise that the war is to the Germans in power. The first is, that while Germany still remains the power to manufacture munitions at a large and formidable rate, the output of the Allies is now in advance of the German output, and the significance of this is realised.

MOT ENOUGH RESERVES OF MEN. "The second point is even more important. It is recognised that reserves of men power are not sufficient to allow Germany to conduct the war to a victorious issue; it is believed that a defensive war can be conducted for a considerable time—but that is all fagt that disseter will rome work them

present pace and intensity. "The offensive on the Somt crucial thing. They have no manions their devotion to their military duties about this. They believe they can impede the Allies and hold them back for Allies must break through. More than this, the Germans have calculated the limit of time they can effectively withstand the attacks on the western, front. They put that limit at 12 months, They know, however, that the Allies may get through before,

"With these facts in mind they have framed their future course of action: not brand them as defeated, and to get it they will make considerable sacrifices. The whole of their new plans-will-be co-ordinated towards that end. Whatever may be the fears of the future they have still at their command vast fighting which they want so badly.

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## THE CERMAN YEARNING FOR

We have seen a large number of home letters and postcards addressed to Ger. Mr J. D. Courtney Mr J. Merecki man soldiers on the West front written Mr N. Croucher Mr G. Miskin by relatives and friends, says a writer Mr G. P. Cuscadera birs G. A. Morse and Cerman leaders are not blinking the in a London paper. It is clear that most Mr W. B. Davenport 2 children of the correspondents excefully observe Mr and Mrs F. E. Mr R. B. Murray if the Allice continue operations at the the instructions of the authorities not to write anything to soldiers calculated the to dishearten them, or disturb them in but in numerous letters the writers find a long time; but they realise they can. it difficult to suppress all mention of the not do it indefinitely. It is privately hardships they are experiencing and no Mr V. A. Fairley" Mrs Gordon Painiger acknowledged that sooner or later the attempt is made to suppress the evident and universal desire for a speedy ending to the war. "When will it be over? "How long is this dreadful murdering to last?" " Are we never to sed the and of it. " are smong the expression

frequently met with. The following extracts are interesting: How is it; dear brother ? Will the They are seeking for a peace which shan war not soon and? If it does not quickly end-! Have you enough to eat! Ford, is suffering badly, and here also. we can get nothing to eat."

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From East Prussia : "It is miserable They are then going to throw discretion here. The potatoes to the very hat have rotted." I don't know what to do with the barley. The tears are in my Britain as much as possible. They will eyes. I have nothing for all my labour, be quite careless of the feelings of and I work from 6 in the morning till 9 neutrals. The visit of Mr Gerard to at night. I have made a cripple of America is undoubtedly connected with myself with work. The communal inspector has reduced my allowance, and what am I to do with a couple of marks in the middle of this fearful rise which they are sure exists among some prices? "Ah, if only God would send us sections of the population already. The peace : Then there would be an end to more hateful the war is made for Britain | the pain. Everyone does just what he the more easily will she come into line likes with us poor women. I am almost with regard to peace proposals. And driven to despair. May God give us

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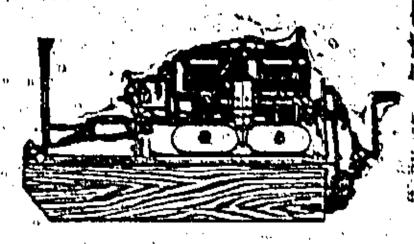
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leave San Francisco for Hongkong

on March 10th, via Honolulu and

The C. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. Ohina arrived in

San Francisco on Tuesday, 12th inst., and will sail from there on

22nd inst. She is due to arrive in

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Per P. & O. s.s. Kaiser-I-Hind. & From

London, Oct. 13, Mr W. J. Crawford, Mr

Per P. & O. s.s. Mooltane From London Oct. 27, Miss Jones, Miss Winter, Mr

Per P. & O. s.s. Kashqar. From Lon-

don Nov. 10, Mr and Mrs Avenall and

two children, Mr E. Halliday and child,

Miss Starckey, Mrs Sanders and child,

Mr J. P. Chambers, Mr A. Forbes, Mr A.

Dec. 8, Miss Aris, Mr Dalby.

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ARBIVALS.

December 21. · Hai Hong, British steamer, 1,270, J. W. Evans, a watow December 20, General-Douglas Steamship Co., Ld. Japan, British steamer, 3,806, T. R. O'Sullivan, Calcutta, via Penang and Singapore Dec. 14. General. - DAVID, Sassoch & Co., Ld.

Tjisondari, Dutch steamer. 5,019, J. N. Bouman, from San Francisco, General-

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN. Yei Maru, Japanese str., from Canton.

DEPARTURES.

December 20. Innaminoka Maru, for Saigon. Jinju Maru, for Canton.

Bourbon, for Snigon. December 21. Soshu Maru, for Swatow and Takao. Tomashima Maru, for Takao. Haldis, for Swatow and Bangkok. Lugenia, for Snigon. Yushun, for Bungkok. Kwangles, for Shanghai. Sunning, for Canton. Kwongsang, for Canton. Chenan, for Shanghai. Hongkong, for Hothow and Haiphong. Kwangse, for Haiphong.

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UHINWANGTAO. Per Minju Maru, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 24th Dec.

Per Haitan, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the

DAY ISLAND. Per Eastern, at 9 a.m., on Tuesday, the 26th Dec.

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### WEATHER REPORT.

On the 21st at 10.58-Pressure has increased moderately over N.E. China and slightly in all other districts, except over N. Japan where it has decreased moderately. It is lowest over Borneo. An anticyclone is central over N.E.

China. Fresh to strong monsoon is indicated along the east coast of China, and over the N. China Sen.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Forecast for the 24 hours ending at moon on the 22nd December:--1.-Hongkong to Cap Rock: N.E. winds, fresh to strong; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. galo.

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ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

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5. FORCE OF WIND, according to Beauford Scale. 6. STATE OF WEATHER, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, I log, g gloomy, h hail, I lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squal, r rain, sanow, thunder. v visibility, w dew (wet).

## HONGKONG TIDES.

7. Rain in inches, tenths and han

The tide-table given below has been sompiled at the National Almanac Office Per Empress of Russia. Registration at in London from the result of the analysis 8.40 a.m. Letters at 10.30 a.m., on of observations taken by means of an sutomatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Taim Sha Taui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level. To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gange at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet

f inches to the height given in the table.

December 22nd to 28th, 1916, "TIST WATER

## SHARE REPORT.

DECEMBER 21st, 1916.

A	Stock and paki up Value.	Q'tions 11.30 A.M.	Last Dividend and date.	Roturn based on last year's div.
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	MARINE INSUR- ANCES.	<b>\$400</b>	\$7 final e/o 1914 and	
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